

Friday 22nd September 2017

RE: SARK EDUCATION REVIEW

Dear Residents of Sark,

REAch2 Academy Trust are delighted to have been invited to conduct a review for the provision of education on Sark and recommend an education policy for the Island for a 5 – 10 year timeframe. The aim of the review is to provide the young people of Sark with an education fit for their futures, wherever that may take them, and for the future of Sark as a unique island community.

Founded in 2012, REAch2 Academy Trust is the largest primary-only academy trust in England and is a growing charitable organisation currently supporting some 55 academies.

Two reviewers, from REAch2 Academy Trust, will be visiting Sark from 28th September 2017 to the 5th October 2017 and we would be very grateful for any support and input you can offer as residents of Sark. I will be the third member of the team and will be available for telephone discussions throughout the process. Please see the letter attached which outlines how you can get in touch; all your contributions will be gladly received and we can ensure confidentiality at all times.

The people carrying out the review from REAch2 Academy Trust are:

Sir Steve Lancashire

Sir Steve has been involved in primary education for thirty years and as a Headteacher for the past twenty years, most recently as Executive Headteacher of Hillyfield Primary Academy. Hillyfield is a double outstanding school and REAch2 was founded on its success. Steve is a National Leader of Education and has been a lead adviser for the department for Education, taking the lead in supporting schools to move from 'Good' to 'Outstanding'.

As the founder and Chief Executive of REAch2, one of the largest and most successful primary academy trusts in the country, Sir Steve seeks to establish a family of schools that share his passion and drive to secure the best possible outcomes for primary aged children and to ensure that primary education has a strong national voice.

Sir Steve was Knighted for services to education in the Queen's New Year's Honours list in 2016.

Ross Hall

Ross is currently directing Ashoka's global education strategy for triggering a fundamental change in the experience of education systems so that every young person is empowered to



live for the greater good. Before joining Ashoka, Ross designed a ground-breaking education programme that aims to equip and incline young people to *be well* and to *do well*. The first implementation of the Better World Programme is with 500,000 children in rural communities across Zimbabwe and Tanzania.

The Better World Programme extends the Effective Education for Employment project that he conceived with Pearson, and which he used with ministries, employers and educators around the world to evaluate the effectiveness of education systems and institutions.

Beverley Gates

Beverley is a successful school leader with Ofsted acclaimed experience of leading Primary and Secondary schools and Pupil Referral Units for pupils aged 2 to 18. She has a proven track record of school improvement as an Academy Regional Executive; through the Local Authority as a Senior School Improvement Advisor and directly with schools. Beverley is a National Leader of Education, trained Ofsted Inspector and School Improvement Partner who has been identified by Ofsted as an Outstanding teacher and Headteacher, and recognised for her external impact upon school improvement in a range of establishments.

Beverley is passionate about achieving quality education for all children and assured about the elements that contribute to making quality

We are very much looking forward to visiting Sark, engaging with your community and taking part in what we hope will be a very successful project.

Kind regards

Sir Steve Lancashire

CEO, REAch2 Academy Trust

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